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## **COUNTY BEGINS WILDCAT CANYON ROAD PROJECT** *Long-Awaited Enhancements Begin First Week in May*

The County of San Diego is set to begin work on the long-awaited Wildcat Canyon Road Enhancement Project the first week in May. Wildcat Canyon Road is a major route between Lakeside, Barona Indian Reservation, San Diego Country Estates and Ramona. The one-mile project starts south of the intersection with Muth Valley Road and ends north of the intersection with Blue Sky Ranch Road.

The project will improve traffic safety by adding a northbound passing lane, three roadway turnouts and intersection improvements at Muth Valley and Wildcat Canyon Roads. The project will also improve traffic flow and relieve congestion of current and future travel demands.

Construction on the \$11 million project is scheduled to last one year. Funding is being provided by The Indian Gaming Special Distribution Fund, the Barona Band of Mission Indians, the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and the County.

Weir Construction, the contractor, will normally work Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., and traffic control may be in effect between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. During construction, traffic control will be set up to create safe work areas for the construction crews. Short-term, one-way traffic control along some portions of the road will also be necessary at times. During non-construction hours, two lanes of traffic (one in each direction) will be maintained and the speed limit will be 35 miles per hour.

During construction, the County's Department of Public Works will also provide a weekly newsletter to anyone interested in tracking the project's progress. The department has also set up a project information hotline **1-800-214-8565** to request to be added to the newsletter distribution list, or if you have any project-related questions and concerns.

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